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Mr. Anthony J. Frates, President  
Utah Native Plant Society  
P. O. Box 6257  
Salt Lake City, Utah 84106

RE: Westwater, Inc.  
Harley Dome Minerals Mine  
ACT/019/012  
Grand County, Utah

Dear Mr. Frates:

Thank you for your letter of concern about the tentative approval given to Westwater, Incorporated to commence surface humate mining in Grand County. This letter will respond to your concerns in the same order in which they were expressed:

1. The Division of Oil, Gas and Mining (DOGM) has no authority to regulate businesses, and thus is not aware of the legality of Westwater, Incorporated, or Baker Associates, Incorporated, to operate in Utah.
2. Baker Associates, Incorporated has acquired the required mineral leases from the Bureau of Land Management. Westwater, Incorporated will be the actual mine operator through an agreement with Baker Associates.
3. The operator has been notified that all commitments made in the Environmental Assessment (EA) will be considered to be part of the approved Mining and Reclamation Plan (MRP) filed with DOGM. Therefore, failure to carry out measures as specifically designed in the EA will be considered a breach of the approved MRP, and will be acted upon accordingly.

Thank you again for your input into the permitting process. If you should have any further comments or concerns, feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

JAMES W. SMITH, JR.  
COORDINATOR OF MINED  
LAND DEVELOPMENT

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